Jack Kofoed Says

Saud Proves Point: Evil Gets Paid Off

KING SAUD, of Saudi Arabia, who wears Arab robes, dark glasses, and is the last of the absolute monarchs, has been vacationing in Vienna with an entourage of fawning princes and pretty belly dancers. Saud lacks the pulp-piled physique of "Fats" Farouk, who used to rule Egypt, but is not exactly a little beam of sunlight.

Slavery is a recognized institution in Saudi Arabia. A convicted thief is punished by having his hand cut off. Poverty is rampant, and so is sickness. Saud possesses many air-conditioned Cadillacs, plus all luxuries the mind of man can dream up, and the hell with the hungry.

If you don't want to get unhappy at the thought of a cruel dictator having so many things, remember this: Saud's eyes have been painfully bad for years, and the reason he was in Vienna was to see what experts could do about curing his bleeding ulcers. I've always leaned toward the belief that you pretty well get paid for evil you do while still on this earth, and every once in awhile a character like Saud proves me right. How much fun can he have, if he can barely see the harem girls and your ulcers are kicking up?

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AMERICANS who join with Cuban anti-revolutionists in attacks on Castroland have been given stern warning. The United States will not tolerate violation of its laws. Violators will find Attorney General Bobby Kennedy on their trail with the same snorting energy he shows trying to pin down Jimmy Hoffa.

Didn't Kennedy break the law when he, as a private individual, negotiated a multi-million-dollar blackmail deal with Fidel Castro? Could any other person have engineered such a trade without the weight of the United States come whacking down on his head? New York lawyer James Donovan would have found himself in a jam with the immigration people, had he not negotiated with the blessing of the attorney general.